

## General Assembly

## Raised Bill No. 63

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Referred to Committee on Government Administration and Elections

Introduced by: (GAE)

## AN ACT REGARDING STATUTES AND REGULATIONS THAT REFER TO INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective from passage) Any general statute, local
- 2 law, ordinance, charter or regulation adopted by the state or any
- 3 political subdivision of the state that refers to persons with disabilities
- 4 shall utilize language that does not: (1) Imply that such persons are
- 5 disabled as a whole, (2) equate persons with their condition, or (3)
- 6 have negative overtones or have a derogatory or demeaning effect.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following		
sections:		
Section 1	from passage	New section

## Statement of Purpose:

To require the use of respectful language in the general statutes when referring to persons with disabilities.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]